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In re Application	:
Joseph P. McGurk	:
Application No. 10/713,917	: DECISION ON APPLICATION
Filed: April 8, 2003	: FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT
Docket No. MDXVA-21US	:

This is a decision on the "Application for Patent Term Adjustment (37 CFR 1.705)" filed April 5, 2007. Applicant requests that the initial determination of patent term adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) be corrected from six hundred eleven (611) to two hundred sixty-six (266) days.

The application for patent term adjustment is **GRANTED**.

The Office has updated the PAIR screen to reflect that the correct Patent Term Adjustment (PTA) determination at the time of the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is **two hundred sixty-six (266) days**. A copy of the updated PAIR screen, showing the correct determination, is enclosed.

On February 2, 2007, the Office mailed the Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154(b) in the above-identified application. The Notice stated that the patent term adjustment (PTA) to date was six hundred eleven (611) days.

The Office initially determined a patent term adjustment of six hundred eleven (611) days based on an adjustment for PTO delay of six hundred eleven (611) days pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 154(b)(1)(A)(i) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.703(a)(1), reduced by zero (0) days of applicant delay.

However, Applicant points out that he should have been assessed additional delay pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.704(c)(5).

37 C.F.R. § 1.704(c)(5) states that converting an application from a provisional application to a nonprovisional application shall result in applicant day. Specifically, § 1.704(c)(5) states that:

the period of adjustment set forth in § 1.703 shall be reduced by the number of days, if any, beginning on the date the application was filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(b) and ending on the date a request in compliance with § 1.53(c)(3) to convert the provisional application into a nonprovisional application was filed.

The application was filed as a provisional application on April 8, 2003. Applicant filed a request to convert to a nonprovisional application on March 18, 2004. Accordingly, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.704(c)(5), three hundred forty-five (345) days of applicant delay should have been assessed.

In view thereof, the correct determination of patent term adjustment at the time of the mailing of the Notice of Allowance is **two hundred sixty-six (266) days** (611 days of PTO delay, reduced by 345 days of applicant delay).

No fee has been charged. The Office thanks Applicant for his good faith and candor in bringing this matter to the Office's attention.

The matter is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Publication for processing into a patent.

Telephone inquiries specific to this matter should be directed to Cliff Congo, Petitions Attorney, at (571)272-3207.



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Enclosure: Copy of Revised PAIR Screen

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PALMINTRANET**PTA Calculations for Application: 10/713917**

Application Filing Date:	04/08/2003	PTO Delay (PTO):	611
Issue Date of Patent:		Three Years:	0
Pre-Issue Petitions:	0	Applicant Delay (APPL):	0
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